

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.

13203

In Re Application Of: Simon Foote, et al.

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Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Attorney No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
09/424,629	March 13, 2000	Carla J. Myers	23389	1634	8264

Invention: NUCLEIC ACID DIAGNOSTICS BASED ON MASS SPECTROMETRY OR MASS SEPARATION AND
BASE SPECIFIC CLEAVAGE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of January 19, 2005 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: April 19, 2005 *Date* until: June 19, 2005 *Date*

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	32 =	0	x \$25.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	6 =	0	x \$100.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$225.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$225.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of **\$225.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**

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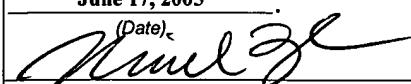


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Dated: June 17, 2005

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